

## Vice Mayor Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona

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Christmas Comes to Downtown Glendale – July 16. Put on the sunscreen, grab the jingle bells and head to Historic Downtown Glendale for a day of sun-drenched holiday shopping. Even Santa is leaving the northern climates to enjoy this annual Christmas in July shopping event on Saturday, July 16, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

With only 161 days left to get all of your shopping for gifts and decorations complete, start early and avoid the rush! Christmas cheer begins at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, Suite 140, where you'll pick up your holiday map, coupons and gift bag (for the first 500 visitors) and take a spin on the prize wheel.

In the spirit of holiday giving, the Glendale Visitor Center will be accepting school supplies for the Annual Back-to-School Supply Drive, which will benefit local elementary schools. These items include new backpacks, pencils, colored pencils, markers, erasers, paper, folders, binders, crayons and glue.

Christmas in July also kicks off the start of decorating 1.5 million lights for the annual holiday light display, Glendale Glitters, Azcentral.com's Critics' Choice for Best Festival. The installation of the holiday lights takes more than 5,000 labor hours to complete in order to be ready for the Glendale Glitters Spectacular in November.

Admission and parking are free. For more information on a fun-filled day of holiday crafts, sweet treats and exclusive deals, call the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau at 623-930-4500 or click here.



Glendale Adds Neighborhood To Historic Register. The Sands Estates Historic District is joining a distinct list of Glendale properties on the National Historic Register. The Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places recognized this neighborhood, located at 59th and Orangewood avenues, for its commitment to preserve the original structure and historical essence of their homes.

The district is comprised of six subdivisions with 176 single-family ranch-style homes and three apartment buildings constructed between 1947 and 1966. Currently, the city of Glendale has eight historic districts and many individual historical properties. The districts include Catlin Court, Floralcroft, 59th Avenue Residential, Northfield, Glendale Tract and Myrtle Avenue Residential. There are currently 298 Glendale

properties listed on the National Register with a total of 87,000 properties in the United States.

Participating properties must be at least 50 years old, have maintained the integrity of the facade of the house and reflect a historical significance such as architecture, people, place or event. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Fabian's Law Effective July 20, 2011. Arizona lawmakers passed HB 2137 during the last legislative session. Championed by a Glendale couple whose poodle was killed by an aggressive dog, this law increases penalties for people who do not control their dogs. Fabian's Law, which becomes effective July 20, 2011, will make it a Class 1 misdemeanor when a person who owns or who is responsible for the care of an aggressive dog does not take reasonable care to control the dog in a manner that prevents the dog from biting or attacking a person or domestic animal at all times while the dog is off the owner's or responsible person's property. The dog owner or responsible person can also be charged with a Class 3 misdemeanor if they do not take reasonable care to prohibit the dog from escaping to the outside of a residence or an enclosed area, yard or structure. Click here for more information.

**'Food For Thought' TV show highlights Glendale Restaurants.** What's for dinner? How about breakfast and lunch too? Whatever you're craving, Glendale 11's new edition of the television show "Food for Thought" will satisfy your taste buds and give you a visual tour of some of Glendale's most unique restaurants. The show takes viewers on a culinary trip throughout the city going into kitchens with chefs and sitting at the table with patrons.

"Food for Thought" will debut at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, on Glendale 11 TV and can also be seen at other times throughout the week. Viewers can also watch Glendale 11 anytime online. Visit glendaleaz.com/glendale11 for more information.

## **Around Town**

Reel Talk Film Series. *Diner* (1982, "R" rating) starring Steve Guttenberg, Mickey Rourke and Kevin Bacon will be shown at 1 p.m., Saturday, July 16 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Join film expert Jeannie Berg in the Auditorium. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Additional Public Meeting. A Redistricting Workshop will take place on Monday, July 18, 2011, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Glendale Adult Center located at 5970 W. Brown St. The workshop is intended to provide interested citizens with hands-on training on mapping tools and direct assistance in completing their own proposed maps. Click here for more information.

**Reunión Pública Adicional.** Un taller sobre reconfiguración distrital se llevará a cabo, el 18 de julio del 2011, de 4 p.m. a 7 p.m., en el Glendale Adult Center, ubicado en 5970 W. Brown St. Con el taller se espera proporcionarle a los ciudadanos interesados entrenamiento práctico sobre las herramientas para elaborar planos y asistencia directa para realizar los planos que vayan a proponer.

**Glendale Summer Band Concert – July 21.** Thursday is the last opportunity to attend the 45th annual Glendale Summer Band concert series presented by Glendale's Office of Special Events. The concert gets underway at 8 p.m. on July 21, at the Murphy Park Amphitheater in Downtown Glendale. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy a fun evening under the stars. Admission and parking are free. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

**Teen Library Council Meeting.** Is your teen looking for something fun to do that can actually make a difference? By joining the Teen Library Council, young adults can earn volunteer service hours, have a good time and meet new people, all while helping to make the library a better place for teens.

Attend the Thursday, July 21 Teen Library Council meeting from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. The library is currently recruiting teens, ages 12-18, to provide input on the selection of books and music for the branch's teen collection. Council members also participate in the planning and presentation of library teen events. For more information or to register, call 623-930-3441.

Dog Days of Summer - August 6. Enjoy a special night for you and your best furry friend on Saturday, August 6, from 6-9 p.m. Start your evening at the Glendale Visitor Center to pick up a walking map and take a spin on the prize wheel. Event activities include: Pet aura photos and free gift bags, Greyhound studios featuring dog art, free Frosty Paws for all the dogs, demonstration of a dog GPS system, Arizona Adopt-a-Greyhound Organization, Pupcakes and dog treats, watering stations and cool pool stops and dog massages. Also, meet the Glendale Crisis Response Team.

The Glendale Visitor Center will be accepting pet supplies to benefit the Sun Valley Animal Shelter. And cat lovers don't need to feel left out for the evening as The Open Door has special gift items for cat lovers. For more information, <u>click here</u>.

**Culture Pass.** Glendale Library card holders can check out a Culture Pass for free admission for 2 – 4 people at participating institutions. Enjoy some time at the Arizona Science Center, the Children's Museum of Phoenix, the Desert Botanical Garden, the Phoenix Art Museum, and the Phoenix Zoo, and more. The Culture Pass can be checked out for a specific period of time, just like a book. For further information, click here.

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